

# ‘Fill the Gap’ news conference set tomorrow

*Staff Reports*

Several Itawamba Community College representatives are expected to attend a news conference at 9:30 a.m. tomorrow at the Capitol in Jackson to reinforce the “Fill in the Gap” advocacy campaign.

The Mississippi Association of Community and Junior Colleges launched the campaign offering the opportunity for state residents to take action after severe budget cuts have crippled one of Mississippi’s leading returns on investment.

A \$1 investment in budget support to community and junior colleges returns \$3.86 back to Mississippi.

According to information from MACJC, three years ago, the state’s community and junior colleges ranked number one in the nation, but because of budget cuts, the rankings have dropped significantly.

Today employment figures indicate that Mis-

issippi’s struggling workforce has more than 40,000 unfilled jobs. With this effort, the MACJC is determined to bring the state’s community colleges back to their former prominence and to lower the number of unfilled jobs.

FillTheGap.ms allows Mississippi residents to take action by contacting their legislators to show support for the state’s two-year schools. “Fill the Gap” was designed to raise awareness regarding the plight of Mississippi’s underfunded community colleges and highlight how community colleges positively impact the state through affordable education, workforce development and general economic improvement.

According to tentative plans for tomorrow’s event, speakers were scheduled to include community and junior college officials, faculty member, workforce partner(s) and possibly a legislator or state official.



## Prestigious Honors

**Above, Those selected to the Hall of Fame for 2017-18 include front, from left, Rina Leigh, Jenna Hull, Hunter Holley, Karla Morales, Lora Beth Barrett; back, Jeanette Houston, Austin Bailey, Collin Hamric, Shadow Martin, Richard Campbell and Madison Nanney. Left, Madison Nanney and Hunter Holley have been elected by their peers as Mr. and Miss Itawamba Community College. - See complete information, page sixteen.**

## Commencement Changes coming

*Staff Reports*

Itawamba Community College has scheduled two ceremonies for commencement, May 12, at the Fulton Campus.

This year’s schedule includes graduates whose last names begin A-L, 11 a.m. and M-Z, 3 p.m.

In years past the ceremonies were split by degree.

However, this year students will receive Associate of Arts, Associate of Applied Science and certificates at both ceremonies.

According to administrators, one of the reasons the change was made is for the College to better equalize the audience for both ceremonies to prevent overflow seating.

In addition to students who are participating, the same last name rule applies to faculty and staff who are marching.

Both ceremonies will be in the Davis Event Center.

A nurses’ pinning ceremony is scheduled for May 11. Practices for both ceremonies will be the morning of May 11.

# Holley named to All-Academic first team; Ferguson, Morales, Salem - second team

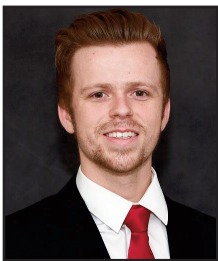
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ICC sophomore Hunter Holley of Nettleton has been selected to the All-Mississippi Academic Team first team, and the recipient of a \$1,000 scholarship. In addition, Fields Ferguson of Batesville, Karla Morales and Lillian Salem, both of Tupelo, were named to the second team.

A graduate of Amory High School, Holley is majoring in biological sciences at ICC, where he is the president of the Upsilon Sigma chapter of Phi Theta Kappa at the Fulton Campus. He is also serving as the Mississippi/Louisiana PTK Regional Reporter and is a member of the Indian Delegation and Science Club. Last year he served as the Monroe County representative for the Student Government Association. Among his honors are Hall of Fame, Mr. Itawamba Community College, regional PTK Most Distinguished Chapter Officer runner-up, Order of the Golden Key, president’s

list, ICC’s student representative for HEADWAE and recipient of numerous scholarships, including one of 10 in the nation to receive the prestigious Pearson Scholarship. He has also been selected as ICC’s first Jack Kent Cooke Scholarship semifinalist. Holley attends the First United Methodist Church in Amory, and he participates in numerous community service activities. He is the son of Melesa Rakestraw and Billy Holley.

Ferguson is a graduate of the Ramp School of Ministry, and in May he will earn his associate’s degree in business



**All-Mississippi Academic Team  
Hunter Holley (first team), Fields Ferguson, Karla Morales, Lillian Salem (all second team)**

Morales is majoring in psychology at ICC where she is the PTK Beta Tau Sigma chapter president, student representative for the curriculum committee and a member of the Student Government Association and Indian Delegation. Her honors include president’s list.

Morales plans to transfer to the University of Mississippi. She is the daughter of Calipso Pimentel and Jose Morales.

Salem is a business major at ICC, where she is Phi Theta Kappa vice president of fellowship and a member of the Indian Delegation and Diversity Club. Her other activities include Sunday school day teacher. A president’s list scholar at ICC, Salem plans to transfer to the University of Mississippi. Her parents are Rima Salem and the late Sam Salem.

All four of ICC’s nominees will be eligible for additional scholarships.

Each two-year college in Mississippi may nominate two students per campus to the All-USA Academic Team. Nominations are based on academic performance and service to the college and community.

The All-USA Community College Academic Team is presented by USA TODAY and Phi Theta Kappa.



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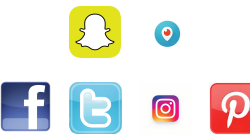
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# Time to consider others is now

“Recently, I went home on a Friday afternoon after my classes had finished. My parents had planned for us to go out to eat with my older brother and his family. We had dinner, and it was a lot of fun. But my brother has two children, Cooper, nearly 4, and Cohen, 2. My mom and dad love to spend time and play with their grandchildren, but my parents aren’t as young as they used to be. They are tired, but they find the strength to make their grandchildren smile and laugh. I admire them for that, but sometimes I don’t help them as I should.

After our dinner, we headed home and fell into our nightly ritual of sitting in front of our television in the living room to watch Steve Harvey’s hilarious antics on Family Feud. Before we did, though, I asked my dad to get me something to drink, to bring my charger and to plug it up for me. Before he sat down, he did three things for me that I could have easily done myself, but I was lazy and selfish.

So many times my parents have sacrificed so much forme. They never missed a single band performance in high school or college, whether it be a football game or concert. When I was involved in theatre, they sat in those seats to see me perform every night. My parents are my biggest fans and my best supporters. I can’t begin to count the times my mother stayed up with me until all hours of the night to help me with science or reading projects that I had put off until the last minute. My parents give me so much, so why don’t I show that same sacrifice and care toward them?

Since I’ve started college, I suppose I’ve come to believe that I know everything. I’ve always been somewhat independent, so I’ve taken this new-found freedom and let it trick me into thinking that I’m a grown-up, who doesn’t need her parents or thinks she knows more than they.

That philosophy is so wrong. My parents have been alive twice as long as I have. They know more than I do, and I’m trying to remind myself of that every day. They give me the greatest love and support I could ever receive in this life, so why don’t I show them the respect they deserve? More and more, I’m starting to see the things I do to my parents. I’m trying to change the way I talk to them, use them and take them for granted.

When we returned home after supper that night, I should have asked my dad if *he* needed anything. I should have let my mother decide what we watch. I should have shown them how much I appreciated them in that moment, but my attention was on myself, not on Momma and Daddy.

Selflessness - that’s a pretty big word,both in the physical and metaphorical sense, but those three syllables aren’t as intimidating as you would think. Even so, sometimes I tremble with guilt when I see that word. I feel like everyone does now and again. We all have our good days; but with that, we also have our bad days. It’s hard trying to think of someone else when we’re so fixated on ourselves. I’m seeing that more and more in my daily life. I hope that we will all start to notice the way we treat people, especially our amazing parents.

Let’s start now.



Madison Nanney  
Commentary

# College CALENDAR OF EVENTS March

Student Advising begins for Summer and Fall semesters

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Last day to drop eLearning full-term classes

Easter Holiday

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# April

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An Evening of Celebration: Honoring Academic Excellence

Indian Week begins at both Fulton and Tupelo (full schedule in the April 23 issue of the Chieftain)

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For up-to-date information, [www.iccms.edu](http://www.iccms.edu)

# Spring '18 Exam Schedule

## TRADITIONAL DAY CLASSES

B/BB	8-10:15 a.m.	Thurs.	May 3
K	10:30-12:45	Thurs.	May 3
L	1-3:15	Thurs.	May 3
H	3:30-5:45	Thurs.	May 3
C/CC	8-10:15	Fri.	May 4
M	10:30-12:45	Fri.	May 4
O	1-3:15	Fri.	May 4
A/AA	8-10:15	Mon.	May 7
E/DD	10:30-12:45	Mon.	May 7
N	1-3:15	Mon.	May 7
D	8-10:15	Tues.	May 8
F	10:30-12:45	Tues.	May 8
G/EE	1-3:15	Tues.	May 8

## AFTER WORK - EVENING CLASSES

I/J - 3:35-5:45	6-8:40	Tues.	May 1
P/Q - 3:35-5:45	6-8:40	Wed.	May 2
Tue.	6-8:40	Tues.	May 1
Wed.	6-8:40	Wed.	May 2
Thurs.	6-8:40	Thurs.	May 3
Mon.	6-8:40	Mon.	May 7

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# Eyes on phones make us miss life

People of all ages love looking at their phone. We look at them every single minute of the day. As soon as we wake up, when we eat, in class and before we go to sleep. Phones are our everything, but looking at them will make us miss a lot of things.

We miss a lot of exciting stuff throughout the day. From my personal experience, I have my eyes glued to my phone almost 24/7. Sometimes it is hard not to look at our phones, but we have to change that.

With our eyes on our phones, we miss important moments like TV shows we like. When I’m watching “This Is Us,” I try not to look at my phone because if I do, I’ll miss an important part of the show. I hate not knowing what happened. That’s why I love going to the movies because I stay off my phone and I see everything that happens.

Staying off the phone also makes us feel so much better. We actually get to enjoy whatever we are doing. When I’m with my girlfriend, I stay off my phone to give her all of my attention and not just 60 percent. If I were on my phone the entire time with her, it wouldn’t be special time.

Keeping away from our phones will also help us sleep better. I know a lot of people who are on their phones right before they go to sleep, and I’m one of those people. I just can’t help it. Instagram is too interesting. I know it’s not good to be on the phone and social media before bed, but I do it anyway. Studies have shown that using the phone before bed can create insomnia and not being able to sleep well. One night I tried not using my phone before bedtime, and I did sleep better. I’m making an effort to obey my “no phone before bedtime “ rule.

I know that not being on our phones is hard, but we all have to try. We can’t live on our phones all day. We have classes! We must enjoy life without them. I promise you, we won’t miss our phones if we try to go a few hours without them.

We must turn off our phones and enjoy the world around is...the people and experiences that we are missing by texting, talking and interacting with social media.

Although it’s mid-March, it’s not too late to make a new year’s resolution. Join me in resolving to turn off our phones just for a while, and turn on life. We’ll be better for it.



Roderick Edwards  
Commentary

# LETTERS

# To the Editor

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Teacher Spotlight

Chris Stevenson  
Social Science

EMILY FERGUSON  
Staff Writer

**FAMILY:** Wife, Jessi, who teaches speech; Sons, Rourke, 8; and Riley, 5.

**EDUCATION:** Bachelor’s degree in secondary education from Mississippi State University; master’s degree in higher education, student personnel from the University of Mississippi; 18 graduate history hours from the University of Mississippi and Delta State University

**COURSES TAUGHT:** American history I and II and African American studies

**EXPERIENCE:** One year as a graduate assistant with the athletic department at the University of Mississippi, teacher and coach at the high school level for seven years, member of the ICC faculty since August 2010

**POSITIVES OF TEACHING:** “I actually get paid to come to work every day to talk about and teach something that I am passionate about (American history). Most people are not that lucky to have a job they truly look forward to each day.”

**NEGATIVES OF TEACHING:** “Never having enough time to thoroughly talk about the content in my courses, specifically in a survey course. You have to fly though to get everything covered. But if that is as bad as it gets for me, I am going to be okay.”

**ADVICE TO STUDENTS:** “Find a healthy balance. Take your academic studies serious, but also have some time for yourself. A healthy balance promotes a happy and successful student.”

Upcoming...

RECRUITING VISITS

University of Mississippi - Tupelo  
Mar. 19, Apr. 3 and 18  
11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.  
Fulton - David C. Cole  
Student Services Building

University of North Alabama  
Apr. 10  
9 a.m.-noon  
Fulton - David C. Cole  
Student Services Building

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“You Don’t Have to Be Crazy to Be Crazy”  
‘You and Your Emotional Health’

presented by  
John Rasberry

MARCH 19 - 4 p.m.

W.O. Benjamin Fine Arts Center  
Lecture Demonstration Room

Everyone is invited!



From left, ICC Campus Police Captain Wilton Cooper and officer Ronnie Abbott congratulate Annika Arnold for using life-saving techniques she has just learned.

ICC student learns Heimlich, CPR; uses skills in the same week

ICC student Annika Arnold of Saltillo knows the value of life-saving techniques because she had an opportunity to use them the same week that she received instruction.

Here is her story...  
“...I have been working as a CPhT (certified pharmacy tech) for a little over two years now. I’ve always wanted to be a nurse, but in the last year, I have discovered that I want to become a nurse practitioner.

My goal right now is to get accepted into the nursing program and work my way up until I reach that goal. I am very determined.

On February 24, I was working on a Saturday afternoon. I had just returned from lunch with a friend. My coworker, Kay, had ordered a hamburger from across the street, and she went and picked it up. She brought it back and began eating her lunch. As I was talking to someone that was in the pharmacy at the time, I heard her start coughing. I looked over at her and she was making a face as if she was terrified. All of a sudden the coughing began to stop because she could not breathe. I said, “Kay, are you choking?” She didn’t respond. Then I said, “Kay, can you breathe?” She was beginning to turn color by then. So I jumped behind her and began the Heimlich. It took a few pumps, but she finally got a breath! She took a deep breath of air and said, “Annika, I don’t know what you just did, but it worked!! Thank you, you just saved my life!!” The

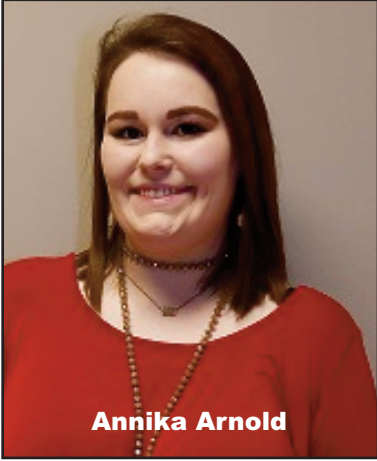
ironic part of this story is that this happened on a Saturday. I learned the Heimlich in class (first aid and CPR) the Thursday before, just two days before it happened! What a blessing! If I had not learned the Heimlich in class that day, I would not have known what to do. After talking to Mr.(James) Harris (the instructor), he said that was not supposed to be a part of Thursday’s lesson, but he figured he would go ahead and go over it. I am forever grateful he did!

The following Tuesday in class, Mr. Harris said,”Well if you have to do CPR this week, then that will just be ironic.”

Well...that brings me to Friday morning, March 2. I don’t have school on Friday. My dad had sent me up there before I had to go to work to get some financial aid stuff taken care of. I was standing at the financial aid desk and I heard someone yelling, “Help! Someone help!” I dialed 911 and alerted them about the situation...

Campus Police came over and we then began CPR. I guided the officer on hand placement and other procedures.

I’m very grateful for Mr. James Harris for teaching me what I needed to know in situations like those. And hopefully nothing else will happen like that, but I am thankful that if it does, I will be prepared.” - Annika Arnold is an adult learner. She is the daughter of Vernon Arnold (Jean, stepmother) and Teresa Turner.



Annika Arnold

“  
Annika, I don’t know what you just did, but it worked!!  
Thank you, you just saved my life.  
”

Holley, Ferguson named prestigious Coca-Cola Scholars

Staff Reports  
Two Itawamba Community College sophomores have been named prestigious Coca-Cola Scholars.

ICC’s Hunter Holley of Nettleton has been named a 2018 Coca-Cola Academic Team Silver

Scholar and will receive a \$1,250 scholarship.

Fields Ferguson of Batesville has been selected as a 2018 Coca-Cola Academic Team Bronze Scholar and will receive a \$1,000 scholarship.

The Coca-Cola Schol-

ars Foundation sponsors the Coca-Cola Academic Team program by recognizing 50 Gold, 50 Silver and 50 Bronze Scholars with nearly \$200,000 in scholarships annually. Each scholar also receives a commemorative

medal.

Students are nominated by their college administrators. Selection is based on academic achievement, leadership and engagement in college and community service.

Advising period for summer, fall begins today!



# Financial aid: To apply or not to apply!

**ALLISON CLAYTON**  
*Staff Writer*

With the summer and then fall semesters approaching, two words are on each student's mind, financial aid. While it can be daunting to reapply after a year, it is actually quite simple.

Terry Bland, director of financial aid, offers some key insight on how and why students should reapply.

## How to reapply

To reapply for financial aid, students should visit [fafsa.gov.edu](http://fafsa.gov.edu), click renewal and log in with the FAFSA ID that was obtained with students applied last year. According to Bland, the most issues students have with FAFSA is forgetting this ID, so he recommends keeping it in a place that is easy to locate.

Next, continue to apply for the 2018-19 year once logged in. Students should submit 2016 tax information and update any relevant information, Bland said. If everything is the same, the process should be relatively simple.

It is important to note that applying

for FAFSA does not guarantee state aid as well as it is a different process. However, after completing the FAFSA, a link will be provided that allows individuals to continue the process to apply for state financial aid.

Those who are filing for aid for the first time should have no worries either, Bland said. The process is the same, albeit longer, as more information will have to be input.

Is there a maximum amount of aid?

There are limits to the amount of aid one can have; however, it varies from student to student. The student's cost of attendance is factored into the amount



**Terry Bland, right, assists a student in this file photo.**

of aid he/she can receive. Someone who commutes will not have the same maximum amount of aid as a student who lives on campus. Outside scholarships also factor into the total amount of aid that can be obtained. If any special scholarships go over the maximum allotted aid, school-sanctioned scholarships or federal aid will be decreased.

In addition, starting this summer, financial aid received in either the fall or spring semesters will not affect the amount of aid received in the summer. Students will now be able to get separate aid and grants for the summer semester that will not count toward the maximum

amount of aid received previously. However, Bland said that students will have to maintain at least six semester hours to collect and keep it.

## Is it worth it to apply?

Bland states that it is incredibly important to apply for aid and encourages students to attempt to do so even if they do not believe they will receive any. While some may not receive federal aid, state aid may be available.

Even if students were unable to receive aid the previous semester, they may be able to for the fall. Bland said that there is no way to know what anyone would be able to receive unless he/she tried, and he highly recommends that everyone does.

Contact the financial aid for questions at (662) 862-8220 for the Fulton Campus or (662) 620-5319 for the Tupelo Campus. Both offices on each campus are located in the Student Services buildings, and the operating hours are 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

## Advising period crucial for success

**JAMIE SMITH**  
*Staff Writer*

As most students know, the advising period is crucial for student success at ICC.

For many students it's having someone there to help them with just about anything they need.

The advising period, which begins today, is an avenue for students to discuss their academic progress with their assigned advisers, according to Mande Miller, director of Advising.

Students are also able to ask about "campus resources and collaboratively develop a plan to reach your goals," Miller said.

She also advises that it is best for students to "make an appointment, keep it and come prepared."

Advising is available to help students to better

succeed in their academic career, and it is recommended that they not wait until the last minute, according to Miller.

In order to take full advantage of the session, students should arrive prepared. If the student knows what major he/she wants, it is recommended to do research and gather information that would aid him/her in deciding the schedule. Students are also encouraged to email their advisers to set up an appointment.

Miller also reminds all students of the Advising Center's motto, "M.A.P.: Meet. Advise. Plan. Where Academic success is best."

Centers are located at the David C. Cole Student Services building at the Fulton Campus and in the Student Support Center at the Tupelo Campus.

## Early Childhood Academy hosts story time

*Staff Reports*

ICC's Early Childhood Academy will present story time, music and a fun activity from 1-2 p.m., Mar. 21, at the Student Support Center on the Tupelo Campus.

The story will be "Miss Nelson Has A Field Day," by Harry Allard.

For more information, call (662) 620-5370.

The Early Childhood Academy is a collaboration of ICC, the Mississippi Community College Board, the Mississippi Department of Human Services and childcare providers to ensure that Mississippi's family-based unified and integrated early childhood system connects and integrates resources and services for both parents/caregivers and their children.



## Networking

**ICC alumni Matthew Pumphrey, senior developer, and Jim Shempert, director of IT, both for the American Family Association, discuss their careers with members of the Computer Programming and Networking Association recently at the Tupelo Campus.**

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**Honors Ceremony  
April 10**



Meeting Room  
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Wesley Found.	John Foster	401.3863

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UPCOMING MEETINGS

March 21

Diversity Club

11:15 a.m.-12:15 p.m.

Cafeteria

Tupelo Campus

March 22, April 5

Computer Club

noon

Technical Education Building 209

Fulton Campus

March 22

Legal Education Association

12:05-12:45 p.m.

Advanced Education Center 115

Tupelo Campus

Communication Chiefs

12:15-12:45 p.m.

Academic 105

Fulton Campus

March 26

Phi Theta Kappa

noon

Humanities 110

Fulton Campus

April 4

Political Science Club

noon

Humanities 203

Fulton Campus

April 10

Phi Theta Kappa

noon

Purvis 109

Tupelo Campus



Hosay Hausley

ICC celebrated Black History Month in February with unity speeches at both the Fulton and Tupelo campuses.

On Feb. 21, students and faculty gathered in the W.O. Benjamin Fine Arts Center auditorium at the Fulton Campus to commemorate unity as speakers stress the importance of Black History month and the unity it brings.

Hosay Hausley, a professional speaker, author and the president of Renasant Bank in Aberdeen, gave an inspirational speech that drew listeners in from the very beginning.

He related the story of his daughter who didn't make her school's cheerleading

squad. Even though she didn't make it, he said, she tried very hard every day afterward to make it next time.

Hausley spoke mostly about "following your dreams" and just how important attitude can be for the way life plays out. He also used First Samuel chapter 16, verse six, which emphasizes the importance of following one's dreams.

"You are the chosen one," he said, in stressing that people should try their best in everything even if they fail.

His presentation also included a story about a little boy who "wonders why his father does not help him play basketball like everyone else's

Celebration  
of Unity  
Tupelo & Fulton

father." One day the boy tells his mother about his dreams of becoming a successful basketball player and how he wants to join the school team, and she tells him to follow his dreams. One day after school, the boy goes home and begs his mom for new expensive shoes that all of his friends have, but his mom buys his shoes at Walmart so he can be more appreciative of less costly things. When he reaches his junior year, he decides to join the basketball team, but his coach says he won't make the team because he's not good enough. After he goes home and tells his mom, she tells him to try again. He practices as much as he

can, so he makes the team his senior year.

The story of the little boy is Hausley's story. "Always chase your dreams to never give up no matter how poor you are or no matter the color of your skin."



ICC alumnus Marcus Walker of Hamilton was the Tupelo Campus speaker., Feb. 20.

Kendall Taylor - Staff Writer

PTK chapters win regional awards

Staff Reports

ICC's chapters of Phi Theta Kappa received several awards at the organization's regional conference, Mar. 2-3, at the University of Southern Mississippi in Hattiesburg.

Awards for the Upsilon Sigma chapter (Fulton Campus) include Most Distinguished Chapter finalist (sixth place); College Project (third place); Honors in Action (tenth place); first place for research on North Korea:Theme War and Peace for Honors in Action Study Topic - Global Perspectives: Howe the World Works; Digital Scrapbook runner-up; David Leonard Travel Award; Five-Star Chapter; Jolene Hoots of Amory, Bennie Warren Most Distinguished Advisor Award runner-up and Horizon Award for



Advisors (service to the chapter award); Hunter Holley of Nettleton, runner-up for Most Distinguished Chapter Officer and Order of the Golden Key; Heather McCormick of Fulton, Horizon Award for Advisors; Robin Lowe of Amory, Horizon Award for Advisors; and Makaela

Dickerson of Smithville, regional reporter.

The Beta Tau Sigma chapter (Tupelo Campus) awards include Regional Project Award runner-up; Honors in Action (ninth place); Five-Star Chapter; and Ira Lindsay Kinard of Houston, Paragon Award for Advisors runner-up.

Both ICC chapters are among 45 in the Mississippi/Louisiana Region.

Phi Theta Kappa, headquartered in Jackson, is the largest honor society in higher education. It recognizes and encourages the academic achievement of two-year college students and provides opportunity for individual growth and development through honors, leadership and service programming.

Fulton SGA elections this week; Tupelo officers unopposed

ARDEN SPEARMAN  
Staff Writer

Student Government Association elections are approaching at the Fulton Campus, and students will have the chance to vote for the candidates they believe will represent them best for the 2018-19 school year.

Since there were only two positions with multiple candidates, Fulton stu-

dents will vote for president and treasurer. Those running for president are Ashton Martin of Baldwyn and Dawson McCord of Pontotoc, and candidates for treasurer are Reagan Newton of Guntown and John Riley Wilbanks of Bruce.

Jessie Collums of Randolph will be the vice president, and Laura Buskirk of Okolona, secretary.

No election will be necessary at the Tupelo Campus since each office had only one candidate. Officers include Devin Bennett of Blue Springs, president; Brandon Adair of Guntown, vice president; Hunter Cox of Pontotoc, secretary; and Abram Nanney of Belden, treasurer.

Students will vote on-

line Mar. 20-21 at ICC's website, www.iccms.edu, log in to their myTribe accounts, select the voting tab and vote for the SGA officers.

For more information, contact Dr. Brad Boggs, interim vice president of student services, at bd-boggs@iccms.edu or (662) 862-8271.

Connect with an ICC club today!



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Registration/Early-Reg. ....	Student Affairs
Schedule Planning .....	Student Affairs
Scholarships .....	Dr. Brad Boggs
Student Activities .....	Student Affairs
Student Aid .....	Financial Aid office
Student Government .....	Cynthia Adams
	Chad Case
Transcripts .....	Student Affairs
Tuition and Fees .....	Business office
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Recipients of awards during An Evening of Celebration: Honoring Academic Excellence Across the Curriculum await their presentation during the 2017 event in this file photo.

ICC Honors Ceremony

set for Apr. 10

TONYA LIVINGSTON  
Staff Writer

ICC’s Honors Council will host An Evening of Celebration: Honoring Academic Excellence Across the Curriculum on Apr. 10 at 6 p.m. in the W.O. Benjamin Fine Arts Center auditorium at the Fulton Campus.

According to Anna Britt-Begnaud, chair of ICC’s Communications Division, said, “This night is the best night of our academic year because we get to celebrate our students.”

The honorees are nominated by faculty and their program or division, Begnaud said.

This year’s honorees are Russell Applewhite, Economics; Cori Childers, Business Administration Division; Madeline Burdine, English; Madison Nanney, Journalism; Jamie Smith, Modern Foreign Language; Margaret Hatcher, Communications Division; Jordan Clark, Computer Science Overall; Eddie Caveness, Computer Science; Rebecca Owens, Sarah Roper, Art; Anna Adams, Music; Michael Childers, Public Speaking; Brett Causey, Fine Arts Division; Olivia Thompson, Health, Physical Education and Recreation; Tyler Hendrix, Health, Physical Education and

Recreation Division; William Evans, Mathematics; Summer Dill, Mathematics Division; Karoline Jaggars, Biology; Jenna Hull, Chemistry; Hunter Holley, Physics; Andrew Ford, Natural Science Division; Judy Henson, Criminal Justice; Mary Graham, History; Cory Henderson, Political Science; Megan Schrock, Psychology; Katrina Wilson, Sociology, Social Science Division; William Beasley, Automotive Technology; Charles West, Collision Repair; Collin Hamric, Robert Lampkin, Computer Networking Technology; Martin Morgan, Diesel Equipment Technology; Cheyenne Schrock, Early Childhood Education Technology; Cody Taylor, Electrical Technology; Kristen Bunch, John Cromwell, Forestry Technology; Carl Wallace, Heating and Air Conditioning Technology; Tyler Gray, Industrial Maintenance Technology; Santana Scales, Law Enforcement Technology; Ashton Dean, Marketing Management Technology; Faith Ohlinger, Paralegal Technology; Grant Hartley, Precision Manufacturing and Machining Technology; Zach Swain, Welding and Cutting Technology; Mason Caldwell, Emma Dabbs, Associate Degree Nursing; Persephone

Triplett, Emergency Medical Services; Rita Lorrigan, Health Information Technology; Kimberly Monteith, Molly Crawford, Physical Therapist Assistant; Farrah Jones, Practical Nursing; Marcia Spratlin, Public Health Technology; Katelyn Hodges, Radiologic Technology; Sarah Maxey, Respiratory Care Technology; and Sommer Huguley, Surgical Technology.

Members of the PTK All-Mississippi Academic team will also be recognized. They include Hunter Holley, first; Fields Ferguson, Karla Morales and Lillian Salem, second.

Family and friends, as well as faculty and staff, are invited to the celebration and the reception, which is hosted by Phi Theta Kappa, in the Gallery, afterward.

Members of the Honors Council include Dylan Baldwin, Anna Britt-Begnaud, Dr. Betsy Chesnutt, Melanie Francis, Rob Francis, Dr. Delena Hukle, Jay Humphries, Robin Lowe, Beth Tuck Nolan, Dr. Cass Patrick, Dr. Bronson Prochaska,Creig Sherrer, Chris Stevenson, Jessi Stevenson, Dr. Michelle Sumerel, Cathy Todd, Delores Tull and Joe Williams.

Choir, CenterStage auditions, Apr. 20



CenterStage members perform during the fall concert at the Fulton Campus.

MADELINE BURDINE  
Staff Writer

Do you enjoy singing? Dancing? Scholarships? If yes, then read on.

Auditions for both ICC’s choir and CenterStage are scheduled for Apr. 20 in the W.O. Benjamin Fine Arts Center auditorium on the Fulton Campus.

Choir auditions will begin at 2 p.m. According to director Karen Davis, students will need to prepare a song to sing with either piano or CD accompaniment (no acapella). Participants should then be prepared to do some vocalizing and sight-reading. An appointment is

not necessary, but those who want to audition should show up between 2-4 p.m.

As for CenterStage, auditions will begin at approximately 4 p.m. If the student plans to audition for the show choir, he/she must audition for choir as well. The student will need to be prepared to sing again for this audition, using the same song or a different one with a piano or CD accompaniment. Students will also be taught some improv choreography to see how quickly they learn and how they move. The audition process could be lengthy, Davis said.

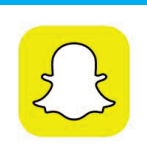


Members of ICC’s choir on stage recently.

Both groups offer scholarships, and ICC’s Chamber Choir is chosen from the choir auditions.

For further information, contact Davis at [kbdavis@iccms.edu](mailto:kbdavis@iccms.edu).

Your connection to ICC...





FYI

MAKE A NOTE OF IT

JUST A REMINDER...  
Sign up for ICC ALERT

ICC provides a mass notification system called ICC ALERT.

Students, faculty and staff are encouraged to participate in the free service.

ICC ALERT has been utilized for inclement weather situations when classes and offices were closed due to snow and icing conditions and when storms threatened the area.

To sign up to receive emergency messages through ICC ALERT: 1) Log on to the myTribe portal using your name and password; 2) Click ICC ALERT system in the link section on the bottom right; 3) Log in with your same username and password as myTribe to add/update your information;.

For assistance with technical issues, contact the TIS Help Desk at (662) 862-8295 or via email at helpdesk@iccms.edu.

Review lockdown procedures

ICC’s faculty, staff and students are urged to review campus lockdown procedures.

“The procedures are meant to be very simple because at the point of a lockdown, the major concern is the safety of all of the individuals in the campus community,” said Dr. Brad Boggs, interim vice president of Student Services.

Notifications will be communicated via ICC ALERT, email and the Emergency Information Web page.

Upon notification of campus lockdown, everyone must react immediately.

The procedures include:

- 1) Lock all doors and windows.
- 2) Close all blinds.
- 3) Turn off lights.
- 4) Use room furnishings to barricade doors and as protection.
- 5) Everyone should sit on the floor, away from doors and windows.
- 6) Make no noises.
- 7) Remain in lockdown until it is cleared with a notice via ICC ALERT or the police/administrator gives the ALL CLEAR code.

In addition, these are procedures in the event of severe weather conditions or evacuation.

Individuals should check ICC’s website, www.iccms.edu, for information. It’s located under Campus Safety on the home page.

Litter-free

Everyone is reminded to use trash receptacles for litter. It’s up to all of us to show our pride by ensuring that all three locations are litter-free.

Shuttle

Students commuting between the Fulton and Tupelo campuses continue to have the opportunity to take advantage of a free shuttle service.

The service begins and ends in Fulton with stops in front of the Student Services buildings on both campuses as well as at the Health Science Education Center at the Tupelo Campus.

Those who ride the shuttle must have a valid ICC ID card. The shuttle departs from Fulton at 7:15 a.m. and from Tupelo at 8 a.m. In the afternoon, it departs from Fulton at 3 p.m. and Tupelo at 3:35 p.m.

No noise

Unnecessary noise is banned at ICC, including loud music, yelling and screaming. Students who are found guilty of noise violations will be fined, and the fine will double with each successive violation.

Attention!

Campus Police officers are accessible at the following cell numbers for each location:

- ICC-Belden, 662.687.2752
- ICC-Fulton, 662.687.2750
- ICC-Tupelo, 662.687.2751

Students, faculty and staff should note these numbers and utilize them for emergencies.



Bluegrass  
+  
Gospel  
=  
Fun for all!

The Isaacs

Aaron Wilburn

A young member of the audience hopes for an opportunity to join the entertainers on stage.

Doyle Lawson & Quicksilver

Rhonda Vincent & The Rage grant the young entertainer’s wish!



## UPCOMING MUSIC & ARTS, ETC...

**Currently through March 29**  
**Dana Arnold Exhibit**  
W.O. Benjamin Fine Arts Center gallery

**March 20**

**Indians Got Talent**  
**Round One - 7 p.m.**  
W.O. Benjamin Fine Arts auditorium

**March 22-24**

**Mississippi Intercollegiate**  
**Honor Band Clinic**

**March 26-27**

**State Show Choir Showcase**  
**Jones County Junior College**

**March 27**

**Indians Got Talent**  
**Round Two - 7 p.m.**  
W.O. Benjamin Fine Arts auditorium

**March 28**

**DSU Wind Ensemble**  
W.O. Benjamin Fine Arts auditorium  
2 p.m.

**April 3**

**Indians Got Talent**  
**Round Three - 7 p.m.**  
W.O. Benjamin Fine Arts auditorium

**April 5**

**Small Ensembles Concert**

**April 17**

**Spring Band Concert**

**April 19**

**CenterStage Concert**

**April 24**

**Indians Got Talent**  
**Finale - 7 p.m.**  
W.O. Benjamin Fine Arts auditorium

**April concerts**  
W.O. Benjamin Fine Arts auditorium  
at 6:30 p.m.

- Arden Spearman, Staff Writer -

## PRAM-ICC changes name

Staff Reports

PRAM-ICC has changed its name to Communication Chiefs.

The group is an organization for students interested in fields related to communication, public relations, journalism, broadcasting, graphic design, advertising, market-

ing, etc.

Meetings will be Mar. 22 and Apr. 26 from 12:15-12:45 p.m. in Academic 105 at the Fulton Campus. Light lunch will be provided, but students should bring a drink, according to sponsor Jessi Stevenson.



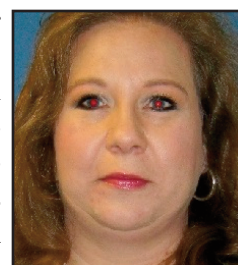
The work of ICC art instructor Dr. Dana Arnold will be on display in the gallery through Mar. 29.

## APPAREL Arnold work on display

Staff Reports

The work of ICC art instructor Dr. Dana Arnold of Belden is on display through Mar. 29 in the W.O. Benjamin Fine Arts Center gallery at the Fulton Campus.

APPAREL features an array of lushly colored paintings and contemplative imagery as well as Arnold's wooden sculptural reliefs and a collection of her ceramic work.



Dr. Dana Arnold

Arnold earned the bachelor's degree in art from the University of Montevallo (Ala.), the master's degree in art with an emphasis in painting from Mississippi College where she graduated with special distinction and the doctorate in community college leadership from Mississippi State University. Her honors include membership in the Foreign Language Honor Society, Alpha Mu Gamma. She began her career as an art instructor at Midland, Tex. and has 21 years' teaching experience in both K-12 and at the community college level. Arnold joined the ICC faculty as an adjunct art instructor in 2001 and became full-time in 2013. She is married and has one child.

Gallery hours are Monday-Friday from 8 a.m.-4 p.m.

## Dinner Theatre



## 'Tom Sawyer' A fabulous production

ADRIAN STAFFORD

Staff Writer/Reviewer

*The Adventures of Tom Sawyer*, a play written by Laura Eason and adapted from the novel by Mark Twain was about a troubled, imaginative boy who is the best friend of the town slump named Huckleberry Finn.

This reckless friendship sparked into both growing up to be brothers who go on wild, unforgettable adventures together. These events teach the boys not only how to make do in a small town in Missouri, but a few life lessons on the way as well.

The book became ICC's Dinner Theatre, Mar. 5-9, in the Band Hall at the ICC Fulton Campus.

Director Dr. Laurie McBride, who is ICC's new speech and theatre instructor, brought a fabulous presentation for the ICC family and friends to enjoy.

With actors such as Eddie Caveness who played Tom Sawyer, and Abel Potter as several complex

characters in this show really made the atmosphere authentic and true to the story and setting.

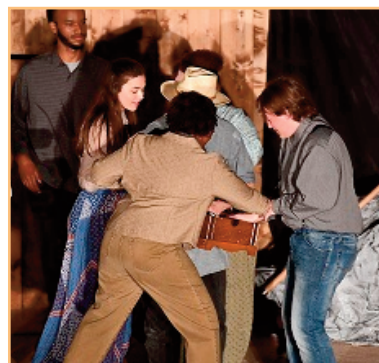
Throughout the play, the cast did an excellent job on staying in character throughout the entire production and not breaking their parts even when they had to change roles - that's impressive!

Their great acting and voice skills assured me that they had rehearsed and worked hard to make the show the best it could possibly be.

At the end of the show, they all congregated and talked about how it's important to always keep your imagination flowing through all circumstances.

Overall, the cast did an exceptional job pulling off this play, and I thoroughly enjoyed every second! Not only did they present this play for all audiences, but they also taught us something to remember.

See y'all next year, Dinner Theatre cast and crew!



Scenes from 'The Adventures of Tom Sawyer' staged Mar. 5-9 at the Fulton Campus.

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# Cheerleader clinics/tryouts this week

Staff Reports

ICC will host cheer clinics and tryouts for the 2018-19 squad on Mar. 19 and 20 at the Intramural Gym on the Fulton Campus.

Clinics will be from 3-5 p.m. A \$30 non-refundable fee will be due at the first clinic.

Participants must have a current physical that cannot be more than one year to the date of the clinics and tryouts. Individuals under the age of 18 are required to have a release form signed by a legal guardian. Participants must complete the cheer questionnaire and release and liability waiver form. All forms are available on the cheer page of LetsGoICC.com. Participation will not be allowed if any of the required documents are not completed and presented at the first clinic date, according to Emily Lamb, sponsor.

The tryout date is 3 p.m., Mar. 22.

Clinics and tryouts are closed to the public, Lamb said. Only those participating in the tryouts are allowed in the facility.

For more information, email Lamb at eglamb@iccms.edu or call (662) 862-8173.

# Time nears to order transcripts

SAMANTHA LANGSTON  
Staff Writer

With commencement approaching and students transferring to a four-year college or university, they should be aware of the procedure for ordering transcripts.

Current students can order using the online option. Additional ways to order are in person or via telephone.

Ordering a transcript is a faster experience online, according to Tiffany Black in the registrar's office. "Since it is done electronically, it allows me to see who's received it and what time and date it was opened."

Transcripts ordered online may be mailed as

early as one business day after submitting the request.

Transcripts cost \$10 each.

Through Transcript-Plus®, students can submit a transcript request 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

The procedure includes

- 1) Sign in to myTribe.
- 2) Click on the School Services tab.
- 3) Click on Student Services.
- 4) Click on Student Records.
- 5) Click on Order Official Transcripts.

For more information, contact the Admissions/Registrar's office on the Fulton or Tupelo campuses.



ICC scholarship recipients met their benefactors during last fall's donor dinner at the Fulton Campus. Applications for the 2018-19 scholarships are due Apr. 1. - File photo

# Apply for Foundation scholarships by Apr. 1

Staff Reports

Apr. 1 is the deadline for submission of online applications for Foundation scholarships at ICC.

A list of scholarships with complete descriptions and an online application are available at

ICC's website, www.iccms.edu, then click on the Financial Aid tab and Scholarships at ICC under the Financial Aid Links.

Foundation scholarships are established and funded for ICC students

by individuals, businesses, industries or organizations.

For more information on application, contact Jim Ingram, director of the ICC Foundation, Inc., jingram@iccms.edu or (662) 862-8047.



# Registration underway for honors orientation

Staff Reports

Online registration is underway for an Honors Orientation at ICC, which will be Apr. 18 for students who score 24 or higher on the ACT.

The free event begins with check in at 12:30 p.m. in the lobby of the David C. Cole Student Services building at the Fulton Campus.

Honors Orientation will include ice-breakers and small group sessions conducted by ICC's student orientation leaders to enable incoming freshmen to become more acclimated with ICC and campus life, according to coordinator Emily Tucker. In addition, ICC faculty advisers and counselors will meet in-

dividually with students to discuss their major and future plans upon graduating from ICC. Students will register for their fall classes, have their photo taken for their student ID and tour the campus.

"Among the advantages of Honors Orientation are scheduling classes before other incoming freshmen; completing the process before graduation from high school; selecting classes from a wide variety of days, times and instructors," Tucker said.

"Parents are strongly encouraged to attend Honors Orientation and participate in a concurrent session, which will provide them with an op-

portunity to learn about housing, financial aid, admissions and student success," Tucker noted. Adequate time will be provided for questions and further discussion of specific topics.

Participants and their parents should go to www.iccms.edu and click on Admissions, then Orientation and then Honors Orientation to register. Students must have on file both an ICC application for admission and ACT score prior to beginning the registration process.

For more information, call Tucker at (662) 862-8253 or email go2icc@iccms.edu.

# Dating Violence



An overflow crowd listens to Lakeisha Gamble of SAFE (right) as she presents information about dating violence, Mar. 1 at the Fulton Campus.



# President Allen reinstates College Council

Staff Reports

ICC President Dr. Jay Allen has reinstated the College Council to "serve as an opportunity to provide updates and share information in more detail."

The first meeting was Feb. 15, and plans are for the group to meet monthly except for the summer.

The information that is presented to the group will have been previously approved by the Cabinet/Board of Trustees.

Information that was shared included the bluegrass concert, the Apr. 23 celebration of meritorious faculty and staff, retirement reception, the Mississippi Legislative session, HEADWAE, the Workforce Development Institute, upcoming renovations to Sheffield Hall to begin May 9, the Tupelo Campus academic building, evacuation of the Natural Science building at the Tupelo Campus for reroofing and the second phase of the buildout at the Belden Center.

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday at 3p.m. at the Tupelo Campus.



## ICC students receive adult learner scholarships

*Staff Reports*

Recipients of Adult Learner Incentive scholarships at Itawamba Community College for the spring semester include several area students.

They are

**Aberdeen** - Tameka Cook;

**Amory** - Valeria Parks, Amanda Vaughn;

**Baldwyn** - Kristie Dennis, Cicely Scales-Warren;

**Belmont** - Bethany Dees;

**Blue Mountain** - Brittany Hughes;

**Corinth** - James Bryant, Janonia Crayton;

**Dennis** - Justin Timbs;

**Fulton** - Ryan "Thompson";

**Guntown** - Shirley Bryson, Kandy Hereford;

**Hamilton** - Courtney Wiley;

**Houlka** - Bessie Talton;

**Iuka** - Emily Wright;

**Marietta** - Brian Dickinson;

**Mooreville** - Shannon Long, Joanne Weith, Kristen Wells;

**Nettleton** - James Cook, Jared Jones;

**New Albany** - Jonathan Gregory;

**Okolona** - Renea King;

**Plantersville** - Erica Standifer;

**Pontotoc** - Kristi Carwile, Lydia Crumpton, Heather Geiger, Angela Lindsey, Gerika Simmons, Michael Williams;

**Saltillo** - Kirk Chism, Christopher Duncan, Bridget Montgomery;

**Shannon** - Kathryn Bushway, Aneshia Mackey, Larry Spragin;

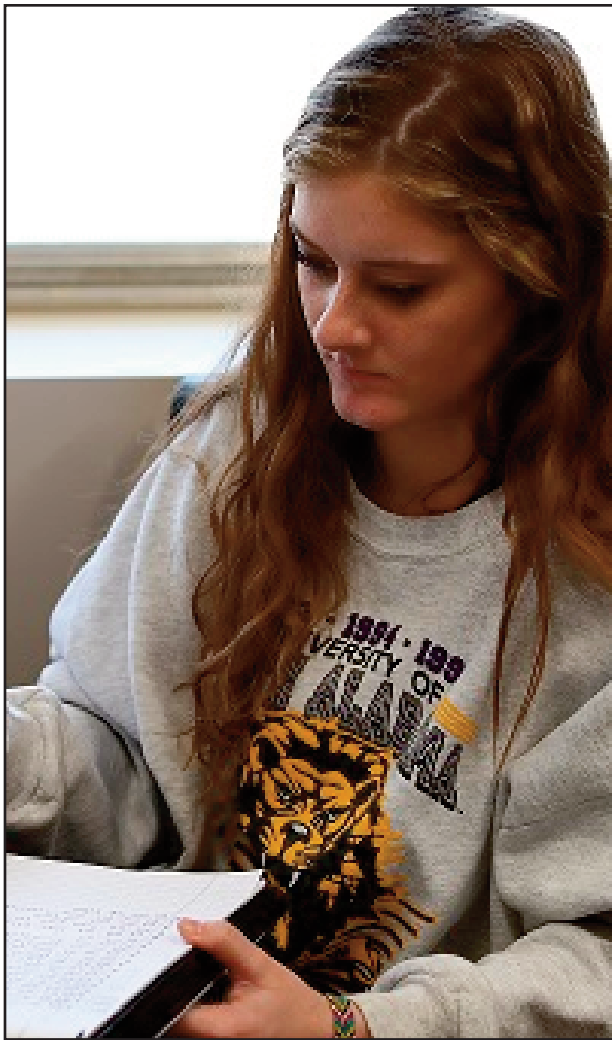
**Thaxton** - Kristen Gordon;

**Tupelo** - Shiana Bean, Molly Burks, Dale Curry, Richard Foster, Stephanie Hattox, Candace King, Walter Lyons, Carolyn Morris and

**Woodland** - Tara Griffin and William Griffin.

ICC offers a limited number of half-tuition scholarships each semester for new or returning students 23 years of age or older, who are Mississippi residents and not enrolled in college for the previous two years. Criteria for selection include enrollment in a minimum of six semester hours, meeting admission requirements, in good standing with ICC and completion of the Federal Application for Student Aid (FAFSA).

For more information, contact Candace Thomas at (662) 862-8261 or email [cdthomas@iccms.edu](mailto:cdthomas@iccms.edu).



**Yearbook editor Erin Griffith of Amory checks to ensure all pages of the 2018 Mirror have been sent to the printer.**

## Yearbook release during Indian Week, Apr. 23-27

**BRITTNEY LAWRENCE**  
*Staff Writer*

The 2018 Mirror, ICC's yearbook, is set to be released during Indian Week (Apr. 23-27). Copies will be available in the David C. Cole Student Services Building in front of the cafeteria at the Fulton Campus. Additional distribution locations are the Tupelo Campus and the Belden Center.

There is no charge to currently-enrolled full-time students.

The theme of the book is "Tracing the Tribe" and is a historical piece of the school, celebrating the

70th anniversary of the yearbook's production, according to adviser Nina Strother.

The Mirror staff includes editor Erin Griffith, assistant editor Bryana Trulove, Liza Bailey, Alexis Ballard, Tyrone Brown, Maidie Clowers, Emilie Cox, Grace Fowlie, Devin Johnson, Tyrani Key, Audra Myers and Cary Reynolds.

ICC's social media will post information regarding the application process for the 2018-19 yearbook staff later this semester.

For more information, contact Strother at [njstrother@iccms.edu](mailto:njstrother@iccms.edu).

## Apr. 1 Indian Delegation application deadline

*Staff Reports*

Apr. 1 is the deadline for applications for ICC's Indian Delegation, the student recruiting team.

Positions are available on both the Fulton and Tupelo campuses.

Qualifications include good moral character, dependable, friendly and outgoing personality, willingness to assist others, strong leadership qualities, good communication skills, free of disciplinary action and the ability to devote time and effort to the Indian Delegation.

Students who apply for the Indian Delegation at the Fulton Campus must upload a 60-second video explaining why they should be selected. They also must either reside in campus housing or in Fulton.

Those selected will receive a \$300 scholarship and one hour of class credit per semester as well as a grade to be de-

termined by participation, involvement and class attendance.

Among their activities, Indian Delegation members conduct campus tours, visit area high schools to recruit potential students, assist with summer orientation and early registration, attend college days/nights at area high schools, assist with special meetings and events on campus and participate in phone calling campaigns to recruit prospective students.

Applications are available at ICC's website, [www.iccms.edu](http://www.iccms.edu). Click on the home drop down box and select Indian Delegation.

For more information, contact Emily Tucker at the Fulton Campus, [ectucker@iccms.edu](mailto:ectucker@iccms.edu) or (662) 862-8253 or Michael Holloway at the Tupelo Campus at [jmholloway@iccms.edu](mailto:jmholloway@iccms.edu) or (662) 620-5278.

## Summer, fall registration soon

**ASHLEY DANIELS**  
*Staff Writer*

Today (Mar. 19) is the beginning of the advising period for both the 2018 summer and fall semesters.

It is important because students must have their adviser's planning form to register, according to Mande Miller, director of advising at ICC.

Registration begins at 7:30 a.m., Apr. 3 for sophomores with 24 or more credit hours and Apr. 5 for freshmen. Students are encouraged to take advantage of the process early in order to get their desired schedule and classes, Miller said.

Students should note that all science classes will be taught this summer in Fulton and not Tupelo.

# Interested in health programs? Complete online applications by Apr. 1.

*Staff Reports*

Apr. 1 is the deadline for the submission of applications for several health-related programs at Itawamba Community College.

At the Tupelo Campus, they include

**Associate Degree Nursing**  
**Health Information Technology**  
**Licensed Practical Nursing (August class)**  
**Occupational Therapy Assistant**

**Technology**

**Physical Therapist Assistant Technology**  
**Radiologic Technology**  
**Respiratory Care Technology**  
**Surgical Technology**

In addition, ICC offers an online program, **Public Health Technology**

For more information about program requirements, access ICC's website, [www.iccms.edu](http://www.iccms.edu) or call (662) 620-5239.



**Itawamba Community College offers 10 health programs, for which the deadline for application will be Apr. 1. Nine of them are taught at the Tupelo Campus, and one, online.**

**Indian Week - April 23-27**  
**See the April issue for a complete schedule.**



# Students, employees to nominate for meritorious awards

*Staff Reports*

Itawamba Community College will honor its most outstanding administrators, faculty and staff at a dinner, Apr. 23, in the banquet rooms at the David C. Cole Student Services building on the Fulton Campus.

Employees and students will have an opportunity to nominate the award winners.

According to Dr. Jan Reid-

Bunch, executive director of community relations, awards will be in three categories - faculty (three), administrative (one) and support staff (two).

Awards will be based on merit, Bunch said.

Criteria for selection include outstanding job performance, teaching, coaching, guidance, service; unselfish dedication to students and the College; and outstanding lead-

ership at the College, community involvement and/or professional organizations.

Other criteria may include publications, grants; club and student activities involvement; contributions to the College through committees, special projects, volunteerism; service to the community as a representative of the College; and art exhibitions, concerts or public perform-

ances.

The nomination form should include specifically how the person has made a difference at ICC, outstanding contributions and multiple reasons or criteria why the nominee deserves this award.

All nominees and their spouses will be invited to the dinner, where the winners will be announced. The awards will be presented by Mac Allen

Thomas, chairman of the ICC Board of Trustees.

In addition John and Beth Cleveland of Kingwood, Tex. will attend the dinner to present the award which they endowed to an outstanding science faculty member.

Nominations are to be submitted to the Office of the President by the end of the day, Mar. 28.

## ITAWAMBA COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Itawamba Community College is a two-year public supported institution dedicated to providing high quality educational opportunities that are accessible and affordable for the diverse needs of Chickasaw, Itawamba, Lee, Monroe and Pontotoc counties.

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**ZOIE PEREZ**  
*Staff Writer*

Spring break has already come and gone, and soon it will be Indian Week, which will be Apr. 23-27.

So far, the tentative schedule for the Fulton Campus includes:

Monday - Zorb Racing and Archery Air Raid, 2-8 p.m., intramural gym;

Tuesday - Cookout, 11 a.m.- 1 p.m., Crane Pavilion, and Indians Got Talent finale, W.O. Benjamin Fine Arts Center auditorium, 7 p.m.;

Wednesday - 3 vs. 3 basketball tournament, 2 p.m., intramural gym and bingo, Student Activities

Center, 7 p.m.;

Thursday - Human Hungry Hippos, intramural gym, 3 p.m. and Capture the Flag, 7:30 p.m., intramural gym; and

Friday - Cookout, 11 a.m.-1 p.m., Crane Pavilion.

The Indians Got Talent preliminary rounds leading up to the finale are scheduled for Mar. 20 and 27 and Apr. 3 at 7 p.m. in the W.O. Benjamin Fine Arts Center auditorium.

All students are welcomed and encouraged to attend all of the week's activities, according to Hayden Plunkett, president of the Fulton Campus SGA, sponsor of the event.

## ICC online learning ranks among the best

*Staff Reports*

AffordableCollegesOnline.org, a leader in higher education information, resources and rankings has recognized Itawamba Community College for its excellence in online learning.

Ranked among the best in the state, ICC offers accessible education anytime and anywhere, providing the freedom to learn while fulfilling other commitments such as job and families.

ICC's online courses are offered as semester-based and short-term classes with a timeline that in-

cludes registration, withdrawal and final examination deadlines similar to on-campus courses. Those who are enrolled in the classes earn the same credit hours as traditional courses.

"We wanted to honor the colleges and universities setting the bar for online learning," said Dan Schuessler, CEO and founder of AffordableCollegesOnline.org. "These schools are going above and beyond the industry standard to help make online education programs an excellent option and more affordable."



**Mackenzie Conn was the winner of last year's Indian Idol, which has been replaced by Indians Got Talent.**

## Golf tournament to benefit Family Resource Center

*Staff Reports*

The annual Families First of North Mississippi benefit golf tournament sponsored by the Tupelo Exchange Club will tee off at 12:30 p.m., Apr. 30, at Big Oaks Golf Course.

The four-man scramble is an annual event, and all proceeds go to the Family Resource Center - Tupelo Campus.

Questions or participation requests should be addressed to Pam Morris and Stephanie Collier at the Family Resource Center, (662) 844-0013.

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## ICC mourns loss of freshman football player

ADAM GORE

ICC Sports Information Director

The Itawamba Community College family continues to mourn the loss of freshman football player, Zion Ford.

“Our hearts go out to Zion’s family,” said an emotional Sean Cannon, head coach of the ICC football team. “Not only was Zion a great teammate, he was a good kid away from the game of football. Like everyone that knew him, we are hurting and ask that everyone keep his family in their prayers during this difficult time.”



Ford, 19, a graduate of Caledonia High School, was remembered for his smile, hard work ethic and desire to do whatever he could to help the team and his teammates both on and off the field, including his willingness to switch from running back to defensive back during the season due to numerous injuries in the Indians’ secondary.

“On behalf of our administration, coaches and student-athletes, we want to express our condolences to Zion’s family and friends,” said ICC President Dr. Jay Allen.

A prayer vigil was Feb. 13.



ICC football coach Ray Williams has shocked the powerlifting world again by shattering his record.

## Williams breaks own record

ADAM GORE

ICC Sports Information Director

ICC Coach Ray Williams went to the 2018 Arnold Sports Festival on a mission. After shocking the powerlifting world yet again, there are only two words to describe his trip to Cleveland, Ohio.

Mission accomplished!

The 21-year-old from Demopolis, Ala. drew one of the largest crowds at the fitness expo when he unofficially shattered his current raw International Powerlifting Federation World Record by completing the heaviest raw squat ever performed in an IPF formal competition when he successfully moved 1,069 pounds on his third and final squat attempt.

Williams opened the day with a successful 975 pounds on his first attempt before easily moving 1,030 pounds on his second try of the USA Powerlifting and SBD Pro-American Powerlifting Championships.

When Williams called for 1,069 pounds for his final attempt, hundreds of powerlifting fans and other athletes crowded the stage to see the Indians’ defensive line and strength coach make history for a second straight year. The lift officially set the new American record.

Williams finished the Classic with a total of 2,403.5 pounds - 27.5 pounds shy of the current IF world record total of 2,431 pounds set at last year’s Arnold Classic - after adding a 518-pound bench press and 821.5 deadlift during the competition.



Dr. Jada Mills, member and former president of the ICC Fulton Campus Faculty Association, lectures in this file photo.

## Community college faculty renew plea for funding salary increases

Staff Reports

Mississippi has one of the lowest workforce participation rates in the United States, yet the 15 community colleges, which are ideally positioned to offer the programs that impact the state’s job growth, continue to be chronically underfunded.

Mississippi has more than 40,000 job openings but the majority of those jobs require some education and training beyond high school, but not a bachelor’s degree. Community college career and technical programs are demand-driven educational programs tailored in each community to meet local needs.

The Mississippi Faculty Association of Community and Junior Colleges (MFACJC) wants to make sure legislators and communities understand how beneficial the community college system is to our state, said MFACJC President Mary Warren, who teaches at Copiah-Lincoln Community College.

However, to make good on the promises of those benefits of a quality education, educational resources need to improve. That includes salary increases for faculty who have not had a state-funded raise since 2008, she said.

“I can truly appreciate all the work our legislators do to make Mississippi a better place to live, but I think it’s time we found our educational system in order to ensure our state stays a quality place in which to live,” Warren said.

The college’s faculty members are the heart of the college system, she said. “Community colleges who replenish the workforce.”

In that vein, legislators should view community college students

as future workers and future earners, Warren said.

“If we want the future of our state planted in more fertile economic soil than it has been in for a very long time, we will have to do a few things differently than we have in the past,” she said.

Community college faculty are educating a high percentage of the state’s college students:

- More than 60 percent of first-time college students are enrolled at Mississippi community colleges,



Dr. Ashley Lancaster

where they can enter the job market faster and with less student debt.

- 69 percent of 2015-16 bachelor’s degree graduates from Mississippi’s public universities had previously enrolled at a community college.

“In order to make Mississippi competitive, we need to educate our people so that they can get not just a job, but also a career,” said Dr. Ashley Lancaster, president of the Itawamba Community College Faculty Association. “With so many working-age people leaving Mississippi, we need to focus on bringing more industry to the state, and the best way to attract industry is to promote education.

Companies want to invest in educated people.

“Many students attend community colleges for financial reasons; however, with limited resources and limited financial support, community colleges are forced to raise tuition costs, which only hurts Mississippi students who may already be struggling financially,” Lancaster said. Community colleges want to do what’s best for our students. If we do what’s best for our students, then we are doing what’s best for our state. Educating students at all levels should be our number one priority in Mississippi.”

The Mississippi Faculty Association of Community and Junior Colleges, along with the 15 college presidents, have three funding priorities:

“Fair and equitable funding” of \$62 million, which includes \$37 million for restoration of funding because of budget cuts and \$25 million for salary increases. Current average estimated faculty salaries are \$51,213. The increase would get salaries closer to the mid-point between K-12 and university salaries, which would be \$58,380.

Secondly, the colleges are requesting nearly \$16 million for two workforce and development strands, \$5.25 million for career-technical programs and \$10.68 million for MIBEST Career Pathways. MIBEST is aimed at adults without high school diplomas who need to earn a high school credential and receive career training at the same time.

The third priority is a two-year bond bill for \$150 million that includes capital improvements over two years and one year of technol-







Carl Wallace, pharmacist at the N

# ICC Bass Team Season begins with qualifiers for 2019 FLW championship

**CLARK OWEN**  
Staff Writer

The ICC Bass Club was created three years ago when three students came up to now-sponsor Jason Campbell and asked if he would be interested in leading a fishing club.

The rest, as they say, is history.

The Bass Club fishes in three tournament series: the FLW (Fishing League Worldwide), BASS (Bass Angler Sports Society) and ACA (Association of Collegiate Anglers), Campbell said. The club has won two tournaments since its start. In Feb. 2016, Hunter Schrock and Russ Johnson won the Bass Southern Regional, and March of the same year, Ty Cox won the Big Bass Bash.

Along with winning two tournaments the Bass Club has also placed nationally. They finished 15th in the nation their first year and 21st last year.

After a two-and-a-half hour fog delay, the team started its season on Lake Seminole in Bainbridge, Ga. in mid-February.

The duo of Parker Humber (Tusculumbia, Ala.) and Carlos Welch (Baldwyn) weighed in at 16.9 pounds anchored by two six-pounders to finish in twelfth place in the 188-boat derby. The finish guaranteed Humber and Welch a spot in the 2019 Fishing League Worldwide National Championship, making them the first team from ICC to qualify.

They also competed at Lake Gunterville, Ala. on Mar. 3 and at Paris, Tenn. for a three-day event beginning Mar. 9 at Kentucky Lake, which was the

team's first Association of Collegiate Anglers tournament of the season.

Upcoming tournaments include Apr. 6-7, the Bass Anglers Sportsman Society event at Columbus Lake; Apr. 19-21, Pickwick Lake, Florence, Ala.; Lake Chickamauga, Dayton, Tenn., May 10-12, Lake Cherokee; May 21, Pickwick Lake, Florence, Ala.; and Oct. 11-13, Lake Dardanelle (Ark.).

The Indians will vie for a spot in the BASS National Championship, which will be on Lake Tenkiller in Tahlequah, Okla., July 19-21. Along with Humber and Welch, other members of the team include Boone Faulkner (New Albany), Fisher Young (Smithville), Ross Sprouse (Blue Springs) and Trevor Sudduth (Tupelo).

Campbell says he likes the Bass Club because it gives him a new opportunity to connect with students outside of a classroom. He also likes the club for its competition among other schools. In the tournaments, the members compete against schools such as Mississippi State and Ole Miss, and Campbell thinks it is amazing that a community college from Fulton, Mississippi can place among larger colleges.

The Bass Club also raises its money for lodging and gas through fundraisers as well as solicit sponsors. The team is sponsored by Midway Marine, Strike King, Hammer Rods, Lews, K2 Coolers, Mountain Dew, IFISH, Ranger Boats, the Meadows, Candlewood Suites, Clay's Bait and Tackle, Frank's Battery Service, Donald Allred Heating and Air, Rowan

Family Dentistry and Auto Air Electric. - *Adam Gore contributed to this article.*



**On March 11 the ICC Bass Club started day one of the Cabela's Big Bass Bash strong. Four anglers weighed in fish for prizes each session. Boone Faulkner had two six pounders, winning approximately \$800 in prizes.**



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ICC fans circle the concourse of the Davis

# Coin toss ends season for Lady Indians' basketball

**ADAM GORE**

*Sports Information*

After a grueling 22-game season, the ICC women's basketball season came to an end with the flipping of a coin on Feb. 28.

The Lady Indians (14-8) and the Northwest Mississippi Community College Lady Rangers (13-10) were both eliminated from the opening round of the MACJC tournament the day before and finished the season tied in region play to force an unprecedented scenario.

Though there is no official coin toss rule in the national tiebreaking procedures, both colleges' athletic directors and coaches agreed to allow the coin toss as the final option to determine who was to advance to the regional tournament.

Neither team played a com-

mon region opponent during the regular season, eliminating the possibility of the common opponent tiebreaker option.

The coin toss took place at Southwest Mississippi Community College by Region 23 women's director Brent Harris. The Lady Indians were assigned heads, and the Lady Rangers, tails, which won.

ICC's women lost to No. 5 Jones County Junior College's Lady Bobcats, 89-59, in the first round of the MACJC state tournament, Feb. 27, at Northwest Mississippi Community College.

The men's season ended Feb. 22 on sophomore night at the Davis Event Center. The Indians lost to the Northwest Rangers, 83-70 and finished sixth in the North Division.



Constance Dunn scores a season-high 21 points and grabbed seven rebounds in the Lady Indians' sophomore night win over the Northeast Lady Rangers.

# Coach Rick Collier earns 500th career win

**ADAM GORE**

*Sports Information*

ICC's Rick Collier earned his 500th win as head coach for the Indians in a 5-1 victory in the second game of a Feb. 16 doubleheader with Snead State (Ala.) Community College.

The former All-American baseball player at ICC (1988-89) and Delta State University (1990-91), Collier has won two Mississippi Association of Community and Junior Colleges championships, two National Junior College Athletic Association Region 23 state titles, one NJCAA Super Regional championship and guided the Indians to 11

straight playoff appearances (2003-13) and has made the playoffs 13 of his previous 15 seasons as head coach. He was selected MACJC Coach of the Year in 2003 and 2009.

In 2003, the Mantachie native led the Indians to appearances in the NJCAA World Series and setting a school record for most wins in a season (22). He was also inducted into the Delta State University Sports Hall of Fame that year.

In his first 11 seasons, Collier has had at least one player commit or sign to play in the SEC and has had at least one Division I signee along with countless other players

continuing their careers as student-athletes in all 16 of his seasons as head coach of the Indians.

Former players Tim Dillard, Desmond Jennings, Jeremy King, David Lindsey, Greg McKissick, Eric Reynolds, Andy Rice, Johnathan Van Every, Jared Wesson, Charley Williams, Delvin Zinn and Tyreque Reed were selected to the MLB draft along with John Gatlin, who signed as an undrafted free agent.

Collier is the all-time winningest coach in the history of ICC's baseball program and ranks in the top 10 in career wins among MACJC coaches.



ICC head baseball coach Rick Collier - the all-time winningest coach in the history of the program.

Football Tryouts  
March 28, Fulton Fieldhouse



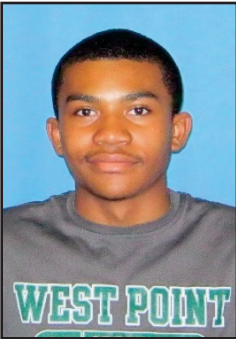
# The key to winning

Keeping a positive mindset is challenging when there is so much stuff happening in the world around us.

There are such tragic occurrences as mass shootings in schools across America, and closer to home, everyday life can be a challenge. There are people I know who are struggling with life, relationships, school, work, etc., and they are letting these issues get to them and bring them down.

Among the issues college students face today are overwhelming responsibilities and isolation as well as mental health issues: anxiety, depression, suicide, eating disorders and addiction.

According to BestColleges.com, depression comes in many forms. A 2013 survey by the Association for University and College Counseling Center Directors indicates that depression is the number one reason that students drop out of school. Although depression is a common illness, it leaves individuals feeling despondent and helpless and completely detached from the world. Among the symptoms, the American Psychological Association lists changes in sleep habits, appetite changes, sadness, feelings of being overwhelmed, feelings of hopelessness, feelings of powerlessness, having trouble concentrating and paying attention.



**Desmone Mathews**  
*Commentary*

Low levels of stress and anxiety, the website notes, are part of most people’s lives. The Anxiety and Depression Association of America reports that nearly 75 percent of those affected by an anxiety disorder will experience their first episode before the age of 22.

Millions of college students, both men and women, develop eating disorders during their college years. If left untreated, these disorders cause serious mental and physical problems that can result in life-threatening issues.

BestColleges.com also notes that alcohol and drug use has become “commonplace on many college campuses throughout the U.S., and what starts as a social tradition can become a full-fledged addiction.”

I know life is tough sometimes because I have experienced it, too, although not to the extent of some of these issues. We all must keep our heads up in difficult circumstances. Everyone has a bad day or even a bad week, but trouble doesn’t always last.

Losing and winning and highs and lows are all part of life for athletes. The key to winning, both in life and on the court or field is “bouncing back.” In fact, that’s a lesson for us all.



## ICC baseball ranks seventh

After a 12-2 start, the ICC baseball team entered the National Junior College Athletic Association Division II poll with a No. 7 ranking, Mar. 7.

No. 7 is the highest ranking for the Indians since they were in the same spot last season in early April.

At that time, the Indians were one of six MACJC teams in the top 20 and were the second highest, ranked behind No. 1 Jones County Junior Col-

lege. Behind the Indians at No.. 8 was Hinds Community College, followed by Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College at No. 9 and East Central Community College at No. 10.

The lone MACJC team outside the Top 10 was Pearl River Community College at No. 12, but also in the Top 10 was NJCAA Region 23 foe and No. 2 ranked LSU-Eunice.



## Softball returns to Top 20

In the first regular season National Junior College Athletic Association Division II poll, the ICC softball team came in at No. 11.

The Indians didn’t make the preseason poll

despite being ranked sixth in the final poll of 2017, but a strong start to the 2018 campaign returned the squad to the Top 20.

Jones County Junior College led the MACJC

teams in the poll ranked No. 1 followed by Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College at No. 7 and East Central Community College at No. 8.

*Staff Reports*

## Armstrong to be inducted in MCC Sports HOF

*Staff Reports*

Tupelo native Dr. Ketra Armstrong of Ypsilanti, Mich. will be Itawamba Community College’s inductee into the Mississippi Community College Sports Hall of Fame, Apr. 24, at the Muse Center at the Rankin County Campus of Hinds Community College.

Armstrong graduated from ICC in 1983 with an associate’s degree in physical education and pre-therapy focus. She played basketball for Coach Max Munn and competed in the 1982 All-Star game following her freshman season. She served as team captain and was named the best offensive player and all-state both seasons.

Following her sophomore season, Armstrong was named to the MACJC All-Star game roster. She also received the scholastic award for her performance in the classroom.

Armstrong continued her basketball career at Southwestern Louisiana. Later she transferred to Mississippi State University where she earned both bachelor’s and master’s degrees. She received her doctorate degree from Ohio State University.

Currently Armstrong is a tenured professor in the school of Kinesiology in the Department of Sports Management. She also serves as associate dean for graduate and faculty affairs and co-director of the Michigan Center for Sport Management.

## Bailie Springfield MACJC Pitcher of the Week

For the second time this season, ICC sophomore pitcher Bailie Springfield was named MACJC Pitcher of the Week.

She earned the award by going 2-0 and picking up her first save of the season with a 2.10 ERA (three earned runs in 110 innings pitched) to help the Indians go 4-0 with conference wins over Northeast and Hinds. She scattered four hits, struck out 13 and only walked two batters while going 4-for-12.



## ICC selects Diamond Girls for 2018 season

*Staff Reports*

Members of Itawamba Community College’s Diamond Girls have been selected for the 2018 baseball season.

They include

**Amory** - Allison Easter, Suni Holloway, Courtney White, Ally Edwards;

**Baldwyn** - Alexis Barnett, Mahalle Howell, Tyrani Key;

**Benoit** - KeKe Kimble;

**Booneville** - Zakia Crump;  
**Columbus** - Reyona Henry, Alexis Kidd-Shirley;  
**Guntown** - Katelynn Stidham;  
**Houlka** - Madison Rogers;  
**Pontotoc** - Mikaela Hodges, Emma Hamill, Ally Ruth Pannell;  
**Saltillo** - Hannah Harwood, Morgan O’Callaghan, Madison Sullivan; and  
**Steens** - Brooklyn Waldrep.

## COMING UP IN ICC ATHLETICS...

### BASEBALL

Mar. 21 @Holmes	2 p.m.
Mar. 24 Meridian	2 p.m.
Mar. 30 @Pearl River	2 p.m.
Apr. 4 Northeast	4 p.m.
Apr. 7 Jones	2 p.m.
apr. 10 @Northwest	3 p.m.
Apr. 14 Southwest	1 p.m.
Apr. 18 Coahoma	3 p.m.
Apr. 21 East Central	2 p.m.

### SOFTBALL

Mar. 21 MS Delta	2 p.m.
Mar. 23 Co-Lin	2 p.m.
Mar. 26 @Holmes	3 p.m.
Mar. 29 Southwest	1 p.m.
Apr. 7 @Jones	2 p.m.
Apr. 10 East Mississippi	3 p.m.
Apr. 13 @Gulf Coast	3 p.m.
Apr. 18 Coahoma	2 p.m.
Apr. 21 @Meridian	2 p.m.

### TENNIS

Mar. 23 @Gulf Coast	1 p.m.
Mar. 24 @Jones	TBA
Apr. 3 Gulf Coast	1 p.m.
Apr. 6 @Co-Lin	2 p.m.
Apr. 7 @Hinds	TBA
Apr. 9 Meridian	1 p.m.
Apr. 14 Holmes	noon

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Spotlight

ON THE SCHEDULE



# 11 sophomores selected to ICC Hall of Fame

Staff Reports

Eleven ICC sophomores have been selected as members of the prestigious Hall of Fame for 2017-18.

They include Jeannette Houston of **Booneville**; Rina Leigh of Columbus; Collin Hamric, Shadow Martin, both of **Guntown**; Jenna Hull of **Hamilton**; Hunter Holley of **Nettleton**; Rick Campbell of **Pontotoc**; Lora Beth Barrett, Madison Nanney, both of **Saltillo**; Austin Bailey and Karla Morales, both of **Tupelo**.

They will be featured in the 2018 Mirror.

Austin Bailey

Bailey is majoring in business administration with an emphasis in managerial finance at ICC, where he is a member of both Phi Theta Kappa and the Baptist Student Union and a Writing Center tutor. His honors include PTK vicepresident of public relations and president's and deans' list. He is the son of Harvey and Teresa Bailey.

Lora Beth Barrett

Barrett is majoring in elementary education at ICC. She is a member of Phi Theta Kappa and vicepresident of leadership for the Beta Tau Sigma chapter. Her honors are president's and deans' list and the recipient of several scholarships including academic, Yates, John Paul Frerer and St. James Ladies Club. Her parents are Leah and Joey Barrett.

Rick Campbell

Campbell is majoring in biology at ICC where he is a member of Phi Theta Kappa. His honors include ACT incentive scholarship and president's list. Campbell is also the United States Powerlifting Association Drug-Free World Champion. He is the son of Ricky and Tessie Campbell.

Collin Hamric

Hamric is a member of the Computer Programming and Networking Association at ICC, where he also is a student worker. His honors include member of Phi Theta Kappa, Horatio Alger Honor Society Scholar, president's and deans' list and recipient of the leadership scholarship. Hamric is majoring in computer networking and programming. His parents are Brenda and Leslie Hamric.

Hunter Holley

Holley is a biological sciences major at ICC, where he is a member of the Indian Delegation, Phi Theta Kappa, Baptist Student Union and Science Club and the Student Government Association (freshman year). His honors include Silver Coca-Cola scholar, president of the Upsilon Sigma chapter of PTK, Mr. ICC, president's list, Pearson Scholarship for Higher Education, All-Mississippi Academic Team first team, HEADWAE recipient, Natural Science division award for physics, ACT scholarship and Jack

Kent Cooke semifinalist. He is the son of Billy Holley and Malesa Rakestraw.

Jeannette Houston

Houston is majoring in computer programming and networking technology at ICC where her honors include the president's list. She is a member of the Computer Programming and Networking Association.

Jenna Hull

Hull is a biology major at ICC. Her activities include Indian Delegation, LIN Report (producer), Phi Theta Kappa (vice president of scholarship), Science Club (president), Orientation Leader, tutor at the Student Success Center, Honors in Action committee and the Baptist Student Union. Her honors include president's and deans' lists, honors, the John and Beth Cleveland Scholarship recipient, Phi Theta Kappa, freshman homecoming maid, speaker at Junior Preview Day, recipient of the Science Department chemistry award and ACT Scholarship. She is the daughter of Steven Hull and Mary Trimm.

Rina Leigh

Leigh, whose major is Licensed Practical Nursing, previously earned the associate's degree from East Mississippi Community College. She is the daughter of Nina Leigh and Roosevelt Leigh Jr.

Shadow Martin

Martin is majoring in allied health,

nursing at ICC, where he is a member of Phi Theta Kappa. His honors include president's list. He is the son of Misty and Jason Mccaffrey.

Karla Morales

At ICC, Morales is a member of the Indian Delegation, vice president of the Student Government Association, president of the Beta Tau Sigma chapter of Phi Theta Kappa and a member of the College's curriculum committee. Her honors include presidents' list, deans' list and All-Mississippi Academic Team second team. A psychology major, Morales is the daughter of Jose Morales and Calipso Pimentel.

Madison Nanney

Nanney is majoring in English at ICC. Her activities include Phi Theta Kappa, Honors Program, Writing Center tutor, resident assistant, editor of the Chieftain, Film Club, Modern Foreign Language Club, All-American Band, choir and member of the 2016 dinner theatre cast. Her honors are PTK vice president of communications, reporter for the Modern Language Club, president's list, recipient of the Communications Division award, theatre department award, Miss ICC and an award winner from the Mississippi Community College Writer's Association. Her parents are Bobby and Angel Nanney. - See photo on page one.



## PTK inducts new members 3.8.18



## Holley, Nanney elected Mr., Miss ICC

Staff Reports

Hunter Holley of Nettleton and Madison Nanney of Saltillo have been elected Mr. and Miss Itawamba Community College for 2017-18.

Holley is a biological sciences major at ICC, where he is a member of the Indian Delegation, Phi Theta Kappa, Baptist Student Union and Science Club and the Student Government Association (freshman year). His honors include president of the Upsilon Sigma Chapter of PTK, Hall of Fame, Coca-Cola Silver Scholar, president's list, Pearson Scholarship for Higher Education, All-Mississippi Academic Team first team, HEADWAE honoree, Natural Science Division award for physics, ACT scholarship and Jack Kent Cooke semifinalist. He is the son of Billy Holley and Melesa Rakestraw.

Nanney is majoring in English at ICC. Her activities include Phi Theta Kappa, Honors Program, Writing Center tutor, resident assistant, editor of the Chieftain, Film Club, Modern Foreign Language Club, All-American Band, choir and member of the 2016 dinner theatre cast. Her honors are Hall of Fame, PTK vice president of communications, reporter for the Modern Language Club, president's list, recipient of the journalism award, theatre department award and an award winner from the Mississippi Community College Writer's Association. Her parents are Bobby and Angel Nanney.

They will be featured in the 2018 Mirror. - See photo on page one.

## Tupelo LRC schedules workshops

The Tupelo Campus Learning Resource Center has scheduled workshops focusing on advanced search strategies and subject databases this month.

They include  
**Mar. 22** - Exploring Films on Demand, Women's History Month documentary, Is Feminism Dead?, noon-1 p.m.;

**Mar. 23** - Advanced Research Strategies Using Subject Databases, 11 a.m.-noon.

Reservations are not required to attend the sessions.

Organizers encourage students to attend.

For more information, call Ifie at (662) 620-5090 or email cli-fie@iccms.edu